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To require an annual report detailing the amount of property the Federal Government owns and the cost of government land ownership to taxpayers

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 2, 2008

Mr. COBURN introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

APRIL 3, 2008

Read the second time and placed on the calendar

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Government Real Es-
5 tate Accountability and Transparency Act of 2008”.

1 **SEC. 2. ANNUAL REPORT DETAILING AMOUNT OF LAND**
2 **OWNED BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE**
3 **COST OF GOVERNMENT LAND OWNERSHIP TO**
4 **TAXPAYERS.**

5 (a) ANNUAL REPORT.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
7 not later than May 15, 2009, and annually there-
8 after, the Director of the Office of Management and
9 Budget (referred to in this section as the “Direc-
10 tor”) shall ensure that a report that contains the in-
11 formation described in subsection (b) is posted on a
12 publicly available website.

13 (2) EXTENSION RELATING TO CERTAIN SEG-
14 MENT OF REPORT.—With respect to the date on
15 which the first annual report is required to be post-
16 ed under paragraph (1), if the Director determines
17 that an additional period of time is required to gath-
18 er the information required under subsection
19 (b)(3)(B), the Director may—

20 (A) as of the date described in paragraph
21 (1), post each segment of information required
22 under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3)(A) of sub-
23 section (b); and

24 (B) as of May 15, 2010, post the segment
25 of information required under subsection
26 (b)(3)(B).

1 (b) REQUIRED INFORMATION.—An annual report de-
2 scribed in subsection (a) shall contain, for the period cov-
3 ered by the report—

4 (1) a description of the total quantity of—

5 (A) land located within the jurisdiction of
6 the United States, to be expressed in acres;

7 (B) the land described in subparagraph
8 (A) that is owned by the Federal Government,
9 to be expressed—

10 (i) in acres; and

11 (ii) as a percentage of the quantity
12 described in subparagraph (A); and

13 (C) the land described in subparagraph
14 (B) that is located in each State, to be ex-
15 pressed, with respect to each State—

16 (i) in acres; and

17 (ii) as a percentage of the quantity
18 described in subparagraph (B);

19 (2) a description of the total annual cost to the
20 Federal Government for maintaining all parcels of
21 administrative land and all administrative buildings
22 or structures under the jurisdiction of each Federal
23 agency; and

24 (3) a list and detailed summary of—

25 (A) with respect to each Federal agency—

1 (i) the number of unused or vacant
2 assets;

3 (ii) the replacement value for each un-
4 used or vacant asset;

5 (iii) the total operating costs for each
6 unused or vacant asset; and

7 (iv) the length of time that each type
8 of asset described in clause (i) has been
9 unused or vacant, organized in categories
10 comprised of periods of—

11 (I) not more than 1 year;

12 (II) not less than 1, but not more
13 than 2, years; and

14 (III) not less than 2 years; and

15 (B) the estimated costs to the Federal
16 Government of the maintenance backlog of each
17 Federal agency, to be—

18 (i) organized in categories comprised
19 of buildings and structures; and

20 (ii) expressed as an aggregate cost.

21 (c) USE OF EXISTING ANNUAL REPORTS.—An an-
22 nual report required under subsection (a) may be com-
23 prised of any annual report relating to the management
24 of Federal real property that is published by a Federal
25 agency.

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